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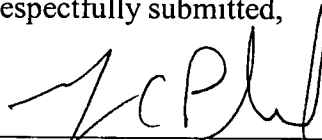
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**COMMENTS OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE IN SUPPORT OF PETITION FOR  
RECONSIDERATION OF THE RURAL COALITION**

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The Attorney General of the State of Tennessee, by and through the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General and Reporter ("Consumer Advocate"), submits these comments in support of the Petition for Reconsideration By the Rural Independent Coalition of Small Local Exchange Carriers and Cooperatives filed on September 16, 2004. The Consumer Advocate joins in the petition and adopts the reasoning stated therein.

Respectfully submitted,



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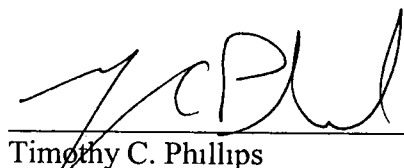
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